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**RE:** Freedom of Information Act Request #19-F-00116: Any corresponse note between CPSC and an entity known as Bath and Body Works during the year, 2018.

Dear Mr. Ricker:

This letter acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking records from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission) and also assigns your FOIA request number.

Due to certain procedural steps we are required to take under section 6(b)(1) of the Consumer Product Safety Act, 15 U.S.C. § 2055, there may be delays in providing the records. Specifically, section 6(b)(1) requires that before disclosing information that would enable the public to identify the manufacturer or private labeler of a consumer product, the Commission shall, to the extent practicable, notify and provide a summary of the information to each manufacturer or private labeler, and provide each manufacturer or private labeler a reasonable opportunity for comment in reference to the information. Please be assured that every effort is being made to process each request as expeditiously as possible, and that the records or information that you have requested will be made available to you at the earliest possible date.

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We regret that due to the recent lapse of appropriations our office was closed from December 22, 2018 to January 26, 2019, and FOIA staff was unable to process any new or pending requests and appeals during that time. The resulting backlog of new and pending requests will necessarily impact our processing times. We appreciate your patience as we work to remedy the delay.

If you have any questions concerning the status of your request, contact our office, as described above, and provide your assigned FOIA request number.

Sincerely,

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